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The Honorable Les Aspin
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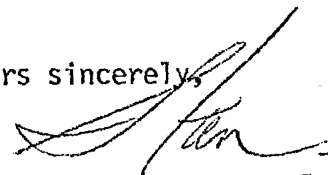
Dear Mr. Aspin,

My apologies for not following up since March 14th on the questions on the unclassified report on Soviet Civil Defense. Quite frankly, we were on the verge of publication in early May when new data was received. This information indicated that one of our principal findings, that on the capability to shelter population, might be off by a considerable factor. Accordingly, I have felt it prudent to delay publication until we can sort this one out. Unfortunately, it may take some months to do this as it requires going back through a lot of existing data to search for clues which were there but not uncovered previously.

I'm very sorry about this because I had hoped to be of assistance to the ongoing debate on this important question. I will, of course, be happy at any time to offer you a classified briefing on the exact status of the Soviet Civil Defense program as we currently see it.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely,



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Adm. Stansfield Turner
The Director of Central Intelligence
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Dear Adm. Turner:

Encouraged by your letter of March 14, I am writing to inquire whether any decision or progress has yet been made regarding an unclassified report on Soviet civil defense.

Your attention to this matter is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,


Les Aspin
Member of Congress

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